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## **Racquetball League Forfeit Policy**

Every effort should be made to play all our matches. This effort will contribute to the overall success of the league. Forfeited matches diminish the league experience so it is important that league players have two hours (one match plus travel) a week to commit to league play.

All matches should be played the week of the posted schedule. If you know you are going to be unavailable for future dates, out of town or busy etc, you can play games earlier if the opponent is available.

If a match cannot be scheduled within two weeks (The scheduled week and one for makeup) of the original match date, the league coordinator must be notified and the circumstance will be reviewed and the match may be forfeited at the discretion of the coordinator. Extensions will likely be granted if effort is made to notify the league coordinator and the circumstances are acceptable.

If the league coordinator is not notified the silence will be considered a lack of effort and the forfeit loss will be awarded to silent party. If neither player notifies the coordinator, the forfeit will be split between both players.

If by the end of the season a player has not been able to play a game, it will be forfeited. In the event of a forfeit and one party was responsible, the other player will be awarded a victory. Any pattern of missed games, i.e. one player missed consecutive games, will increase the likely hood of games being forfeited by that player.

By the midpoint of the season, players will need to have played more than half of their scheduled matches or drop out of the league. Players who have forfeited more than 25% of their matches will not be eligible for the playoffs.

In the event a player withdraws from a league due to an unforeseeable reason such as injury or personal issue, etc., all previous games played will stand as is, and all future games forfeited. This is true only in the case when that the player withdrawing has played at least 50 percent of the scheduled matches. If at least 50 percent of the matches have not been played, then ALL scheduled matches for that player withdrawing will go down as forfeits (any already played matches will be reversed and forfeited).

If a league player repeatedly forfeits more than 25% of their matches in consecutive seasons they will be asked by the league coordinator to determine if the they have the time to commit to league play.